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1. A conference was held on 19 September at which Draheim who, together with Kofer, heads the Policy Planning Department of the MIAM, touched on the duties of the Committee for Mutual Economic Aid. Draheim stated that among its responsibilities was the basic preparatory planning for the economy of the orbit countries as a whole. It was responsible for relieving bottlenecks in individual member countries by arranging the transfer of production, as required, from one to another. When the resources of the orbit countries as a whole were inadequate, member countries were permitted to relieve their own bottlenecks by imports from non-member countries.
2. On being asked to expand this statement, Draheim stated that he knew no more himself since the above had been a previously prepared statement which had been handed to him "from above". He was able only to confirm that the DDR was definitely represented on the committee.

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